GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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KUDREMUKH IRON ORE COMPANY
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL) can contine mining operations only for another two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide alternative jobs/rehabilitation to the workers of KIOCL in the near future; and

(d) the number of employees of the company who have already taken VRS for the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a)&(b): The Supreme Court of India in its judgment dated 30.10.2002 has permitted KIOCL to continue mining at Kudremukh till 31st December, 2005.

(c) Various options will be considered by the company at the appropriate time about the future course of action in regard to operations of the company including jobs/rehabilitation of the workers of KIOCL.

(d) The number of employees of the Company who have taken VRS during the last three years is as under:

No. of Employees opted for VRS during	Executives	Supervisors	Non-Executives	Total
1999-2000	5	-	18	23
2000-2001	18	8	48	74
2001-2002	-	-	-	-
2002-2003 (upto 30.9.2002)	24	7	43	74
Total	47	15	109	171